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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In regard to the application of: Ehud NACHALIEL

Serial No: 10/031,761 Group Art Unit: To be assigned

I.A. Filing Date: May 21, 2000 Examiner: To be assigned

For: **APPARATUS FOR IMPEDANCE IMAGING COUPLED WITH ANOTHER MODALITY**

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicants respectfully direct the attention of the Examiner to art cited with respect to PCT/IL00/00287 of which the current application is a US national application under 35 USC section 371.

The Examiner is respectfully requested to review and consider this art, in accordance with MPEP 2001.06, MPEP 1893.03(e) and MPEP 1893.03(g) and to indicate in the first office action that he has considered this art. Additionally, the Examiner is respectfully requested to cite those prior art publications mentioned in this application which the Examiner considers to be material or relevant to the present claims.

Further, in order to comply with discretionary regulations 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98, attached is Form PTO-1449 listing the cited art. Also attached are copies[1] of the art. This art contains information which the Examiner may consider to be important in deciding whether to allow the present application to issue as a patent. Items 1-3, 10-13 and 15 were cited on the PCT International Search Report. Copies of these items are not attached as they are available in the national stage file.

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In accordance with MPEP Section 609 it is requested that each document cited (including any mentioned in Applicant's specification which is not repeated on the attached PTO-1449 form) be given thorough consideration and that it be cited of record in the prosecution history of the present application by initialing on the PTO-1449 form, so that it will appear on the face of the patent issuing on the present application, even if the Examiner does not consider it sufficiently pertinent to use in a rejection, or otherwise does not believe that the guidelines for citation have been fully complied with.

The present Information Disclosure Statement is being submitted in compliance with 37 CFR 1.56 as an Examiner might consider any cited document important in deciding whether to allow the application to issue as a patent, but the citation of each document is not to be construed as an admission that such document is necessarily relevant or prior art. No representation is intended that the cited documents represent the results of a complete search, and it is anticipated that the Examiner in the normal course of examination, will make an independent search and will determine the best prior art consistent with 37CFR 1.104(a), and in the course of such search will review for relevance every document cited on the attached form.

Early and favorable consideration is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,
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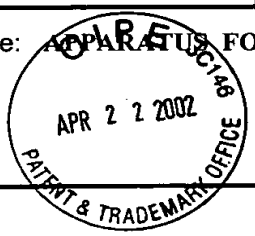
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37 CFR 1.97(b)

1. ☒ The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed within three months of the filing of a national application other than a continued prosecution application under 37 CFR 1.53(d); within three months of the date of entry of the national stage as set forth in 37 CFR 1.491 in an international application; before the mailing of a first Office Action on the merits, or before the mailing of a first Office Action after the filing of a request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114.

37 CFR 1.97(c)

2. ☐ The Information Disclosure Statement submitted herewith is being filed after the period specified in 37 CFR 1.97(b), provided that the Information Disclosure Statement is filed before the mailing date of a Final Action under 37 CFR 1.113, a Notice of Allowance under 37 CFR 1.311, or an Action that otherwise closes prosecution in the application, and is accompanied by one of:

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